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RE: California High Speed Rail Authority Community Benefits Agreement
Addendum 1

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter serves as a notification of the amendments effective August 14, 2014, to the Community Benefits Agreement between the California High Speed-Rail Authority (Authority) and the State Building Trades Council of California and the Signatory Craft Councils and Local Unions as follows:

1. Section 9.4, Step 3 is amended to add the following Central Valley area arbitrators to the list of permanent arbitrators: Robert Hirsch, Alexander Cohn, Matthew Goldberg and Luella Nelson.
2. Section 7.12 is amended to add the Operating Engineers Local 3 Northern California Master Agreement Substance Abuse Policy as a policy and procedure that may be utilized under the Agreement.

A copy of the Addendum is available on the Authority's web page at http://hsr.ca.gov/programs/construction/community_benefits_agreement.html

For questions or concerns regarding this matter, please send your e-mails to contract.compliance@hsr.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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COMMUNITY BENEFITS AGREEMENT

CALIFORNIA HIGH-SPEED RAIL AUTHORITY

and

**THE STATE BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL OF
CALIFORNIA**

AND THE SIGNATORY CRAFT COUNCILS AND LOCAL UNIONS

ADDENDUM 1

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1. Section 9.4, Step 3 is amended to add the following Central Valley area arbitrators to the list of permanent arbitrators: Robert Hirsch, Alexander Cohn, Matthew Goldberg and Luella Nelson.
2. Section 7.12 is amended to add the Operating Engineers Local 3 Northern California Master Agreement Substance Abuse Policy (attached) as a policy and procedure that may be utilized under the Agreement.

THE CALIFORNIA HIGH-SPEED RAIL AUTHORITY

By:  Date: 8/14/14

STATE BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL OF CALIFORNIA

By:  Date: 8/15/14

OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL 3 NORTHERN CALIFORNIA MASTER AGREEMENT SUBSTANCE ABUSE POLICY

I. INTRODUCTION

The Union and the Employer establish this Policy in order to provide the Individual Employer with a comprehensive substance abuse program, to provide Employees who abuse and/or are addicted to drugs, including alcohol, a means to receive treatment for their abuse and/or addiction, and to provide for a safe workplace. An Individual Employer is not obligated by this Agreement to have a substance abuse policy. Implementation of this Policy is not mandatory by any Individual Employer, but this Policy is the only policy the Individual Employer may implement for Employees. Once implemented, the Policy shall remain in effect unless otherwise agreed to by the Union and the Individual Employer.

An Individual Employer which is regulated by the United States Department of Transportation ("DOT") Code of Federal Regulation CFR 382 and 49 may elect not to implement the testing provisions of this Policy for its Employees who are not regulated by DOT.

II. NOTICE

- A. An Individual Employer must give written notice to the Union that it is implementing this Policy. The notice must be delivered in person, by certified mail or by FAX before it implements the Policy. A DOT regulated Individual Employer shall specifically notify the Union whether it is implementing the testing provisions of this Policy for its Employees who are not subject to DOT regulations. The notice shall be delivered to the Union at the following address:

Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3
1620 South Loop Road
Alameda, CA 94502
(FAX: [510] 748-7401)
- B. The Individual Employer may not implement this Policy unless it subjects all management and supervisory employees to the same type of testing which is provided herein.
- C. An Individual Employer who has implemented this Policy shall advise the Union dispatchers with whom it places an order for Employees that it intends to drug test dispatched Employees. A test result shall not be set aside because an Individual Employer does not give such notice.
- D. An Individual Employer who implements this Policy shall provide written notice of this Policy to all Employees including those dispatched to it by the Union and shall provide each Employee with a copy of the Policy.
- E. Failure to give a form of notice as set forth in this section shall make any drug testing engaged in by the Individual Employer a violation of the Master Agreement and no results of any such test shall be relied upon to deny employment or pay or to discipline any Employee.

III. PURPOSE OF POLICY

- A. The Individual Employer and the Union are committed to providing a safe and productive work environment for Employees. The Employer, Individual Employer and the Union recognize the valuable resource we have in our Employees and recognize that the state of an Employee's health affects attitude, effort, and job performance. The parties recognize that substance abuse is

a behavioral, medical and social problem that causes decreased efficiency and increased risk of accidents and of injury.

The Individual Employer and the Union therefore adopts this Policy. The intent of the Policy is threefold:

1. To maintain a safe, drug and alcohol free workplace;
 2. To maintain our work force at its maximum effectiveness; and
 3. To provide confidential referral to the Addiction Recovery Program ("ARP") and to provide confidential treatment to those Employees who recognize they have a substance abuse problem and voluntarily seek treatment for it.
- B. In order to achieve these purposes, it is our primary goal to identify those Employees and refer them to professional counseling, and treatment *before* job performance has become a disciplinary problem. Employees are urged to use the services available through ARP. ARP will assist them and refer them to the appropriate treatment program.
1. Treatment for substance abuse and chemical dependency is provided under the Health and Welfare Plan, up to the limits described in the plans.
 2. An Employee shall be granted necessary leave of absence for treatment ARP recommends contingent upon signing a return-to-work agreement as provided for in Section XI.

IV. EDUCATION PROGRAM

The Individual Employer will implement a comprehensive drug awareness and education program which shall be in conformance with the DOT regulations. The program shall include educating Employees and management/supervisory personnel about substance abuse and chemical dependency, the adverse affect they have on Employees and the Individual Employer, and the treatment available to Employees who abuse substances and/or are chemically dependent, and the penalties that may be imposed upon Employees who violate this Policy. The Individual Employer shall consult with ARP before it implements this policy so that ARP can provide education to the Individual Employer and its Employees. ARP shall continue to provide an educational program for the Individual Employer for their Employees and shall, to the maximum extent possible, train the Employees of Individual Employer who implement this Policy.

V. CONFIDENTIALITY

The Individual Employer will abide by all applicable State and Federal laws and regulations regarding confidentiality of medical records in any matter related to this Policy. The Individual Employer shall designate one of its management, supervisory or confidential employees to be its custodian of records and contact person for all matters related to this Policy. All such records shall be kept in a locked file which shall be labeled "confidential." Employee records related to this Policy shall not be kept in the Employee's personnel file.

All information from an Employee's drug and alcohol test is confidential for purposes other than determining whether this Policy has been violated. Disclosure of test results to any other person, agency, or organization is prohibited unless written authorization is obtained from the Employee. The results of a positive drug test shall not be released until the results are confirmed. Every effort will be made to insure that all Employee issues related to this Policy will be discussed in private and actions taken will not be made known to anyone other than those directly involved in taking the action, or who are required to be involved in the disciplinary procedure.

VI. TESTING

Testing for the presence of alcohol or controlled substances and/or their by-products in one's body may only be performed under the conditions set forth herein. All testing shall be done in accordance with the standards established by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration ("SAMHSA"), any successor agency, or any other agency of the federal government which has responsibility for establishing standards for drug

testing. All such agencies shall be collectively referred to as "SAMHSA."

Chain of Custody. All SAMHSA standards for Chain of Custody will be adhered to. A specimen for which the SAMHSA standards are not complied with shall not be considered for any purpose under this Policy.

Laboratories. All laboratories which perform tests under this Policy shall be SAMHSA certified.

Testing Procedures and Protocols. All SAMHSA standards for testing standards and protocols shall be followed. All specimens which are determined to be positive by the SAMHSA approved screening test shall be subject to a SAMHSA certified confirmatory test (gas chromatography/mass spectrometry).

Second Test. The laboratory shall save a sufficient portion of each specimen in a manner approved by SAMHSA so that an Employee may have a second test performed. Immediately after the specimen is collected, it will be labeled and then initialed by the Employee and a witness. If the sample must be collected at a site other than the drug and/or alcohol testing laboratory, the specimen shall then be placed in a transportation container. The container shall be sealed in the Employee's presence and the Employee shall be asked to initial or sign the container. The container shall be sent to the designated testing laboratory on that day or the earliest business day by the fastest available method. Any Employee whose specimen is tested positive and who challenges a test result may have the second portion of the sample tested at his/her expense and at a laboratory agreed upon by the Employee and the MRO so long as that laboratory is SAMHSA certified and has been or is approved by the parties and the Employee requests the second test within seventy-two (72) hours of notice of a positive result. If the second test is negative, the Employee will be considered to have been tested negative.

Cut-Off Levels. SAMHSA standards for cut-off levels will be complied with when applicable. The cut-off levels for both the screening and confirmatory tests shall be per Federal standards as determined by the U. S. Department of Health and Human Services ("DHHS"). Only tests which are positive pursuant to the SAMHSA standards shall be reported to the Medical Review Officer as positive. A .04 blood/alcohol level or above shall be considered to be positive.

Medical Review Officer. A Medical Review Officer ("MRO") shall verify all positive test results. The MRO must be a licensed physician. The MRO shall be a member of the American Society of Addictive Medicine ("ASAM") if available. If no ASAM members are available, the MRO shall be certified by the Medical Review Officers' Certification Council. The Union shall approve all MRO's. Upon verification of a positive test result, the MRO shall refer the affected Employee to ARP for assessment and referral to treatment, if appropriate.

Consent Form. Any Employee directed to submit to a test in accordance with this Policy will sign a consent and release form, a copy of which is attached hereto (Form "A"). The consent and release form will only authorize (1) the facility where the specimen is collected to collect the specimen, (2) the laboratory which performs the test to perform the test and to provide the results to the MRO, and, if negative, to the Individual Employer, and (3) the MRO to verify tests and report to the Individual Employer whether the test is positive or negative. The consent and release form shall notify the Employee that he/she may have a Union representative present if available.

The Employee may be disciplined if he/she refuses to sign the authorization if the Individual Employer has advised the Employee (1) he/she must sign it or he/she will be disciplined up to and including termination,

(2) the release is limited as provided herein, (3) the Employee has a right to consult with a Union representative before signing the release and before submitting to the test. An Employee who believes the Individual Employer is improperly directing him/her to submit to a test may file a grievance under the Master Agreement. The test results will be disregarded if the Board of Adjustment or Arbitrator determines the Individual Employer was not authorized by this Policy to direct the Employee to submit to the test.

Substances to be Tested For. A specimen may be tested for alcohol, cannabinoids (THC), barbiturates, opiates, cocaine, phencyclidines (PCP), amphetamines, and methaqualone or the by-products of these substances. A specimen shall not be tested for anything else. If DOT revises its list of substances for which it requires Individual Employer to test, this Section will be revised to include those substances. The laboratory will report positive test results to the MRO. The MRO will verify whether the test is positive or negative. The MRO shall report to the Individual Employer whether the Employee tested positive or negative for one of these substances. The MRO will not identify the substance(s) for which the Employee tested positive unless specifically required to do so by DOT regulations.

Urine, Blood, or Breath Test. The Individual Employer may direct the Employee to submit to a urine test or at the Employee's request, a blood test for alcohol and/or other drugs, or a breath test for alcohol. An Employee who is unable to provide a urine sample within one (1) hour of being directed to do so, will submit to a blood test.

Notification to Employer of Test Results. The laboratory shall report negative test results to the Individual Employer. The laboratory will report positive test results to the MRO. The MRO will verify whether the test was positive or negative and will report the final results to the Individual Employer.

VII. TYPES OF PERMISSIVE TESTING

A. TIME OF DISPATCH TESTING

An Individual Employer may require an Employee to be tested for the presence in the Employee's body of one of the drugs or by-products thereof set forth above at the time the Employee is dispatched (on one of the first three (3) days of employment). It must test all Employees at the time they are dispatched if it tests any Employee. The Individual Employer shall put the Employee to work or pay the Employee pending the test results unless the Employee has been dispatched to a DOT regulated assignment and the Individual Employer does not have any work for the Employee to perform which is not subject to the DOT regulations or if it has probable cause to believe the Employee is impaired, intoxicated, or under the influence of a drug. The standards for probable cause are set forth below in Section B. If the Individual Employer does not allow an Employee to work pending the test results because it believes it has probable cause, it shall make the Employee whole for all lost wages and benefits if the Employee tests negative. Employees who test positive will be referred to ARP. The Individual Employer shall not be obligated to employ any such Employee after ARP releases the Employee to return to work but may employ such Employee under the terms of a return-to-work agreement. An Employee who refuses to submit to a drug/alcohol test when dispatched shall not be paid show-up time.

An Individual Employer may test Employees who are recalled from layoff as provided for in the Job Placement Regulations who have not worked for thirty (30) days. If the Individual Employer tests any Employee who is recalled, it must test all such Employees. An Individual Employer may test all Employees at the time they are dispatched under this Section except for those who are recalled.

Time of Dispatch Screening by the Job Placement Center: The parties shall establish a joint committee to determine whether there is a feasible means by which the Job Placement Centers can conduct the

drug/alcohol screen before dispatching an Employee so that only Employees with a negative test will be referred.

B. PROBABLE CAUSE TESTING

An Individual Employer may require an Employee to submit to a drug test as provided for in this Policy if it has probable cause that the Employee is impaired, intoxicated, and/or under the influence of a drug. Probable cause must be based on a trained Management Representative's (preferably not in the bargaining unit) objective observations and must be based upon abnormal coordination, appearance, behavior, absenteeism, speech or odor. The indicators shall be recognized and accepted symptoms of intoxication or impairment caused by drugs or alcohol and shall be indicators not reasonably explained as resulting from causes other than the use of such controlled substance and/or alcohol (such as, but not by way of limitation, fatigue, lack of sleep, side effects of proper use of prescription drugs, reaction to noxious fumes or smoke, etc.). Probable cause may not be established, and thus not a basis for testing, if it is based solely on the observations and reports of third parties. The trained Management Representative's observations and conclusions must be confirmed by another trained Management Representative. The grounds for probable cause must be documented by the use of an Incident Report Form (see Form "B" attached). The Management Representative shall give the Employee a completed copy of this Incident Report Form and shall give the Union Representative, if present, a copy of the Incident Report Form before the Employee is required to be tested. After being given a copy of the Incident Report Form, the Employee shall be allowed enough time to read the entire document and to understand the reasons for the test.

The Management Representative also shall provide the Employee with an opportunity to give an explanation of his/her condition, such as reaction to a prescribed drug, fatigue, lack of sleep, exposure to noxious fumes, reaction to over-the-counter medication or illness. If available, the Union Representative shall be present during such explanation and shall be entitled to confer with the Employee before the explanation is required. If the Management Representative(s), after observing the Employee, and hearing any explanation, concludes that there is in fact probable cause to believe that the Employee is under the influence of or impaired by, drugs or alcohol, the Employee may be ordered to submit to a drug test.

The Individual Employer shall advise the Employee of his/her right to consult with a Union Representative (including a Steward) and allow the Employee to consult with a Union Representative before the Employee submits to the test, if the Union Representative is available.

Employees required to submit to a test under Section B will be paid for all time related to the test including the time the Employee is transported to and from the collection site, all time spent at the collection site, and all time involved completing the consent and release form if the test results are negative.

C. ACCIDENT TESTING

An Individual Employer shall require Employees who are directly, or indirectly, involved in work-related accidents involving property damage or bodily injury that requires medical care or work-related accidents which would likely result in property damage or bodily injury be subject to a test as provided herein. The innocent victims of an accident will not be subject to a test unless probable cause exists. The Individual Employer shall complete an Incident Report Form (see Form B attached) whenever it tests an Employee under this Section.

D. UNANNOUNCED RANDOM TESTING

An Individual Employer may initiate unannounced random testing, a selection process where affected Employees are selected for testing and each Employee has an equal chance of being selected for testing. If an Individual Employer initiates such testing, all Employees shall be subjected to such testing. The Individual Employer may establish two random testing pools; one for DOT regulated Employees and one for all others. An Individual Employer who initiates random testing shall specifically state in its notice to the Union and its notice to Employees that Employees will be subject to random testing. The Individual Employer shall give thirty (30) days notice to the Union and Employees prior to implementing a random drug testing program.

E. DOT REGULATED EMPLOYEES

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Policy, the Individual Employer may require its Employees who are covered by the DOT drug and alcohol testing regulations to submit to testing as required by those regulations. Such testing will be conducted in strict accordance with the Regulations. The Individual Employer may discipline an Employee who tests positive as defined by the Regulations subject to Section XI, REHABILITATION/DISCIPLINE, of the Policy. ARP shall be the Substance Abuse Professional for all Employees. ARP, to the maximum extent possible, shall provide the mandated training to all Employees. Employees who are subject to DOT regulations who have a positive "pre-employment" test (as defined by the DOT regulations) will be paid show-up time only if the Individual Employer does not have any work for the Employee to perform which is not subject to the DOT regulations pending the test result. Employees who are tested under the DOT Regulations who are not allowed by those Regulations to continue to perform safety sensitive functions, as defined by the Regulations, shall be paid for hours worked.

F. OWNER/AWARDING AGENCY REQUIREMENTS

Whenever owner or awarding agency specifications require the Individual Employer to provide a drug-free workplace, the Union and the Employer or the Individual Employer shall incorporate such additional requirements herein. This Policy shall apply to all such testing.

G. QUICK TESTS

The parties agree to allow the Employers to use, on an individual basis, an oral or urine quick test approved by the bargaining parties as an effective low-cost tool for substance abuse screening for pre-hire, time of dispatch screening only. Testing procedures for the oral test (including the oral screen – OSR device) and the urine test shall be conducted in a manner consistent with the product manufacturer's specifications; in an effort to produce the most consistent and accurate results possible. Dispatched members who fail this saliva or urine test will be sent for standard urine testing. When the Individual Employer conducts the oral screen, a negative result may be accepted and the applicant may be put to work with no further testing required. A non-negative (inconclusive) result will subject the applicant to the Standard Procedures in this Agreement.

VIII. EMPLOYER REFERRALS

A decline in an Employee's job performance is often the first sign of a personal problem which may include substance abuse or chemical dependency. Supervisory personnel will be trained to identify signs of substance abuse, chemical dependency, and declining job performance. The Individual Employer may formally refer an Employee to ARP based upon documented declining job performance or other observations prior to testing under Section VII and/or disciplining the Employee.

IX. EMPLOYEE VOLUNTARY SELF-HELP PROGRAM

An Employee who has a chemical dependency and/or abuses drugs and/or alcohol is encouraged to participate in an Employee Voluntary Self-Help Program. Any such Employee shall be referred to ARP. Employees who seek voluntary assistance for alcohol and/or substance abuse may not be disciplined for seeking such assistance. Request by Employees for such assistance shall remain confidential and shall not be revealed to other Employees or management personnel without the Employee's consent. ARP shall not disclose information on drug/alcohol use received from an Employee for any purpose or under any circumstances, unless specifically authorized in writing by the Employee.

The Individual Employer shall offer an Employee affected by alcohol or drug dependence an unpaid medical Leave of Absence for the purpose of enrolling and participating in a drug or alcohol rehabilitation program.

X. PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES/DISCIPLINE

An Employee shall not possess, use, provide, dispense, receive, sell, offer to sell, or manufacture alcohol and/or any controlled substances as defined by law or have any measurable amount of any such substance or by-product thereof as defined in Section VI while on the Individual Employer's property or jobsite and/or while working for the Individual Employer unless the Employee has the Individual Employer's express permission to do so. An Employee shall not work while impaired, intoxicated or under the influence of alcohol and/or any controlled substance. An Employee who uses medication prescribed by a physician will not violate these rules by using such medication as prescribed if the Employee's physician has released the Employee to work. An Employee who uses over-the-counter medication in accordance with the manufacturer's and/or doctor's recommendation shall not violate the rules by using such medication. Impairment caused by prescribed medication and/or over-the-counter medication does not constitute a violation. The Individual Employer may prohibit an Employee who is impaired as a result of proper use of prescription or over-the-counter medication from working while the Employee is impaired but may not discipline such an Employee. An Employee who is impaired by misuse of prescription or over-the-counter medication violates the Policy and is subject to discipline as provided herein.

XI. REHABILITATION/DISCIPLINE

The Individual Employer may discipline an Employee who violates any provision of Section X. Such Employee is subject to disciplinary action up to and including termination. Among the factors to be considered in determining the appropriate disciplinary response are the nature and requirements of the Employee's work, length of employment, current job performance, the specific results of the test, and the history of past discipline.

The Individual Employer is not required to refer to ARP any Employee who violates any provision of Section X which prohibits the sale of, attempted sale of or manufacture of prohibited substances before it disciplines the Employee. The Individual Employer may not discipline any Employee who violates any other provisions of Section X until such Employee has been offered an opportunity to receive treatment and/or counseling.

Any Employee who fails to come forward to receive treatment and/or counseling prior to an accident, drug screen, for cause or random test shall not be eligible for the reemployment provisions of this Section XI.

Any Employee who comes forward to receive treatment and/or counseling prior to an accident, drug screen, for cause or random test shall be subject to reemployment as follows. The Employee will not be discharged if he/she agrees in writing to undergo the counseling/treatment ARP prescribes. The Individual Employer shall re-employ the Employee when ARP releases him/her to return to work if it has work available. It will not be required to lay-off any current Employee in order to re-employ the Employee. If it

does not have any work available when ARP releases the Employee, it shall re-employ the Employee as soon as it has work available. The Employee will be subject to a return-to-work agreement. The Individual Employer, the Union and the Employee will enter into a return-to-work agreement. The return-to-work agreement will require the Employee to comply with and complete all treatment ARP, or the treatment provider, as the case may be, determines is appropriate. It will also provide a monitoring of the Employee's compliance with the treatment plan ARP, or the treatment provider, develops and will allow the Individual Employer to require the Employee to submit to unannounced testing. The Individual Employer may discipline the Employee for not complying with the return-to-work agreement. A positive test on an unannounced test will be considered a violation of the return-to-work agreement. Any unannounced testing shall be performed in accordance with this Policy. The Union and the Individual Employer will attempt to meet with any Employee who violates the return-to-work agreement and attempt to persuade the Employee to comply with the return-to-work agreement. This procedure shall be followed on a consistent basis. Employees who are working under a return-to-work agreement shall be subject to all of the Individual Employer's rules to the same extent as all other Employees are required to comply with them.

The parties agree to establish a Substance Abuse Testing Procedures Committee who shall be empowered to periodically review and update testing procedures. Either party may request a meeting under this section and such meeting shall be convened within thirty (30) days.

The Substance Abuse Procedures Committee composed of Jim Murray, Steve Clark, Jack Estill, Tim Conway, Mark Breslin, Carl Goff, Russ Burns, Sean O'Donoghue and Byron Loney.

XII. NON-DISCRIMINATION

The Individual Employer shall not discriminate against any Employee who is receiving treatment for substance abuse and/or chemical dependency. All Employees who participate in ARP and/or are undergoing or have undergone treatment and rehabilitation pursuant to this Policy shall be subject to the same rules, working conditions, and discipline procedures in effect for all Employees. Employees cannot escape discipline for future infractions by participating in ARP and/or undergoing treatment and rehabilitation.

XIII. COST OF PROGRAM

Evaluation and treatment for substance abuse and chemical addiction are provided for through the Health and Welfare Plan. An Individual Employer who adopts this Policy will not incur any additional cost for assessment, referral and treatment beyond that which is incorporated into its Health and Welfare contribution rate. ARP is funded through the Health and Welfare Trust to provide its current level of service which includes performing assessments of Employees and their covered dependents, referral of Employees and covered dependents who are undergoing rehabilitation and providing limited education and training programs to Individual Employer. The Individual Employer will pay all costs for testing.

XIV. GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

All disputes concerning the interpretation or application of this Policy shall be subject to the grievance and arbitration procedures of the Master Labor Agreement.

XV. SAVINGS CLAUSE

The establishment or operation of this Policy shall not curtail any right of any Employee found in any law, rule or regulation. Should any part of this Policy be determined contrary to law, such invalidation of that

part or portion of this Policy shall not invalidate the remaining portions. In the event of such determination, the collective bargaining parties will immediately bargain in good faith in an attempt to agree upon a provision in place of the invalidated portion.